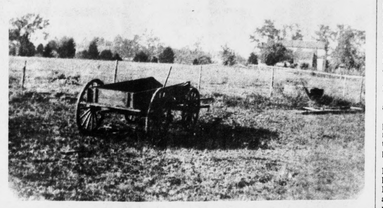

Appomattox County . . . Yesterday And Today

by Paul Ghioto

Appomattox battlefield is to be turned into a sheep farm. That, at least, is the present purpose of Major George A. Armes, who has just become the possessor of this historic spot, comprising about 3,000 acres.

Major Armes became the owner of Appomattox battlefield, including the famous apple tree, by a real estate deal with Mr. S. S. Burdette and Sam Bryan, President of the telephone company. The exact terms of the deal are not known, but Major Armes gives in exchange for the battle-field, which he says is admirably arranged for sheep herding, the brick house on I street, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets (Washington), next door to Chamberlin's Hotel, which he has in the past occupied as a winter residence, and a portion of which was utilized last summer by the Republican Congressional committee for the temporary storage of documents . .

The Armes property on I street is considered to be worth about $40,000 or nearly twice what the Appomattox battlefield cost the original syndicate, so it is to be presumed that Messrs. Burdett and Bryan are well satisfied with the result of the deal. On the other hand, Major Armes has acquired an extensive tract of land at about $13 an acre, which it is hardly probable will ever be worth less than that sum, and which Congress may at some future time, when the Treasury is full and patriotic spirit is again rife, decide to purchase in perpetual commemoration of the final scene in the great civil war.

A bill is now pending in the Senate which proposes to appropriate a sum sufficient for the erection of a peace monument on the spot where General Lee surrendered to General Grant, April 9, 1865 — Washington Post.

The tract embraces some 1,500 acres only, but is certainly admirably adapted to sheep raising. We welcome Major Armes and trust that this last deal will be more than a mere speculation for Appomattox.

If you haven't kept up with events at the historical park, then this article may raise a few eyebrows - or even the wool in your favorite sweater. However, the sheep are no more. This week's article is a reprint of one which appeared in **The Appomattox and Buckingham Times** edition of Thursday, February 11, 1897.

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Mr. J. W. Martin of Cave Hill, Kentucky states: "I suffered with neuralgia for about ten years. At times I was nearly dead; could not sit, lie or stand; my teeth came loose and I gave up all hope of recovery. Doctors failed to benefit me. One bottle of Lightning Hot Drops effected a complete cure, and I have never had a touch of neuralgia since".

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Looking back . . .

1. The old Franklin Hotel was located in:
a.) Vera b.) Spanish Oaks c.) Pamplin City d.) Nebraska
2. A. H. Abbitt was this hotel's proprietor:
a.) Hotel Appomattox b.) Court Hill c.) Forbes d.) Lee-Grant
3. Vera was "founded" in:
a.) Jan. 1895 b.) Dec. 1914 c.) March 1872 d.) June 1840
4. He dealt in "wines, liquors and brandies" in 1896 near the courthouse:
a.) J. E. Childress b.) Thomas Odor c.) S. J. Hunter d.) R. F. Durrum
d. Concord's first baseball team was nicknamed the:
a.) Grapes b.) Bruins c.) Minutemen d.) Terrapins

Quiz questions taken from Appomattox newspapers.

Answers: 1.) c 2.) b 3.) a 4.) d 5.) d

GIVE... THE AMERICAN HEART FUND

WRECK ISLAND EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS CLUB

Mrs. Marie Carson was hostess to the Wreck Island Extension Homemakers' Club when it met at her home on March 26 at 1:30 p.m. There were eight members present. One new member, Mrs. Helen McCraw, was welcomed to the club.

Devotions were given by Mrs. Dixie Staten.

The minutes were read and adjourned.

Mrs. Dixie Staten, our president, conducted the business meeting and announced the following events and urged participation by the members.

April 8 - District III Homemakers meeting will be held at Appomattox County High School auditorium at 9:30 a.m. "The Ageless Wanders" will be performing. Mr. Cullen Johnson will be the speaker.

April 10 - "Sewing For the Way You Are", a program in clothing construction will be held at Appomattox County High School auditorium at 1:30 p.m.

April 13 there will be an Oral Cancer Detection Day from 12 noon until 5 p.m. at the Dentist office. This is a free examination.

April 16 - 9: a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Consumer Education Forum, Ramada Inn, Lynchburg. It will feature timely information and exhibits in the areas of food, housing, and clothing.

April 27 - Diabetic Screening Clinic - 1- 5 p.m. at Appomattox County High School Cafeteria. This clinic is free and open to everyone.

April 22 - Leader Training Session - 1:30 p.m. at County Extension Office - Ann McDaniel, Extension Specialist from Virginia State will conduct this session in improving kitchen storage.

April 25 - Fireman's Carnival - Concord Elementary School - 5 to 8 p.m. Our Federation Program chairman - Mrs. Ruth Cason will present a program on "Foods".

A demonstration on "How to Sew and Care for New Fabrics" was presented by Mrs. Shirley Walton. She illustrated by showing how to put in a sleeve with "three pins" also showed the latest sewing gadgets.

Members repeated the Homemakers' Creek. After which a social hour was held when the hostess served delicious refreshments.

The April meeting will meet in the home of Mrs. Ruth Carson on April 23 at 1:30 p.m.

Give Best Land Best Management

Farmers are often puzzled by recommendations to fertilize their best land the most, in fact, some say that their best land does pretty well on a little fertilizer & it's the poorer soils that need more fertilizer. A good dairyman knows that you get more returns by feeding more to the best cows. In some ways, soils are like cows. They have different capabilities and respond to different levels of management. Various soil types have different responses to applications of lime or fertilizer. Our best soils are capable of producing 120 to 160 bushels of corn per acre per year. Our poorer soils given the same treatment would not average more than 60 to 80 bushels per acre. It is, therefore, essential that farmers select their best land for intensive use and give their best land the highest level of management.

While most experienced farmers know their better soils, many farmers need soils information. Often some excellent farmland is in cutover woodland or unimproved pasture, while low potential soils are used for cropland. Special crops, such as vegetables, flue tobacco and peaches, produce higher quality products on light textured soils. Heavier well drained loams and clay loams, along with well drained bottomlands are good soils for grain. Plastic, (pipe clay), soils and wet soils are poorly suited for crops but usually produce higher quality products on light textured soils. Heavier well drained loams and clay loams, along with well drained bottomlands are good soils for grain. Plastic, (pipe clay), soils and wet soils are poorly suited for crops but usually produce excellent grassland. These plastic soils usually have more potential as pastureland than woodland.

The Soil Conservation Service has classified all soil in Campbell and Charlotte Counties. Soils maps for some Appomattox County farmers have been made. Many farmers have a conservation plan prepared by the Soil Conservation Service. A soils map is included in the conservation plan.

The Robert E. Lee Soil and Water Conservation District has given conservation planning to production farmers a high priority. Old plans needing revising will be updated and new conservation plans developed as planning permits. The more information will be developed each new or revised plan.

"Spring is For Cleaning" is the topic of the demonstraiton that will be given by Mrs. Helen McCraw.

Mrs. Tilden Lee, Secretary

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The problem is that with agriculture getting to be a tougher business than ever these days, this kind of credit is getting tougher than ever to find.

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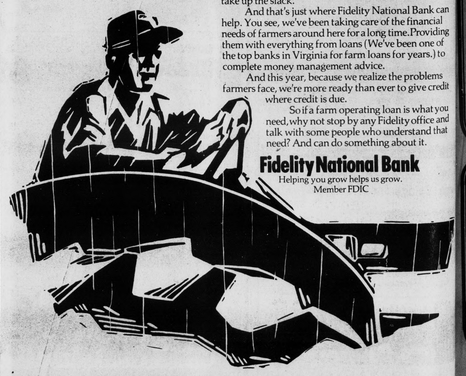

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